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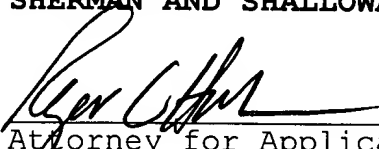
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This is in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of December 02, 2002, with a three month shortened statutory period to respond set to expire on March 02, 2002. Accordingly, a three-month extension of time along with the proper fee is submitted. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

In view of the following remarks and claim amendments, Applicant requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the rejections and allow all claims as presently claimed in this application.